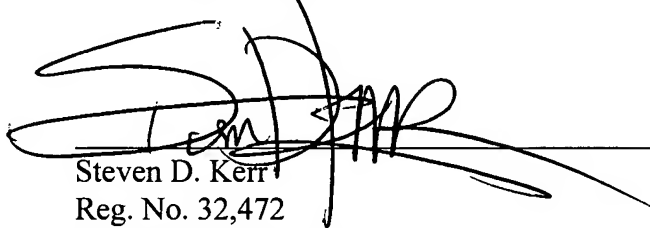


**REMARKS**

Initial examination of the subject application has not yet occurred. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 8-10 have been cancelled. All other claims remain pending as originally filed. Applicant requests entry of this Preliminary Amendment prior to initial examination of the referenced application.

Respectfully submitted,

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